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For: **CONJUGATES OF INSULIN-LIKE GROWTH FACTOR BINDING PROTEIN-4  
AND POLY(ETHYLENE GLYCOL)**

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

Prior to calculation of the Filing and Examination Fees, please amend the above identified application as follows.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.